Lauds Propers

Monday Week I

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Invitatory Psalm Antiphon

Come, today, and listen to his voice: do not harden your *hearts.*

First Psalm

Psalm 5

A morning prayer for help

Cantor: It is you whom I invoke, O Lord. In the morning you hear *me.*

East Choir:
Let my words come to your ears, **O** Lord: *
hear my *sighs.*
Listen to the voice of my **cry**ing, *
my King and my *God.*
It is you whom I invoke, O Lord. In the morning you hear *me.*

West Choir:
As I make my prayer **to** you, *
Lord, listen to my voice in the morning;
in the morning I will stand before you and await *you.*
You are not a God who loves **e**vil. *
The wicked cannot stay near you,
the unjust cannot remain in your pre*sence.*
It is you whom I invoke, O Lord. In the morning you hear *me.*

East Choir:
You hate all who do **e**vil – *
you destroy all who speak falsehood –
the Lord abominates the bloody and deceitful *man.*
But in the abundance of your mercy you will admit me to **your** house: *
I will worship you in your holy temple, with fear and rever*ence.*
It is you whom I invoke, O Lord. In the morning you hear *me.*

West Choir:
Lord, guide me in your justice, protect me from my e**ne**mies: *
let me see the path I must fol*low.*
For there is no truth in their mouth – their heart is a bottom**less** pit – *
their throat is a wide open grave – their tongue seduc*es.*
Punish them, **O** Lord, *
and let their own plans destroy *them.*
On account of their crimes, thrust them from your **pre**sence; *
for they are rebels against *you.*
It is you whom I invoke, O Lord. In the morning you hear *me.*

East Choir:
Let all who hope in you rejoice, triumph for **e**ver. *
You will shelter them and they will glory in *you.*
For you bless the just, **O** Lord, *
and your good will surrounds them like a *shield.*
It is you whom I invoke, O Lord. In the morning you hear *me.*

Full Choir: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy **Spi**rit, *
(profound bow) as it was in the beginning is now,
and ever shall be world without end. A*men.*

Cantor: Lord, all justice and all goodness come from you; you hate evil and abhor lies.
Lead us, your servants, in the path of your justice, so that all who hope in you
may rejoice with the Chruch and in Christ.

Full Choir: It is you whom I invoke, O Lord. In the morning you hear *me.*

Canticle

1 Chronicles 29

To God alone be honour and glory

Cantor: Lord our God, we praise the splendour of your *name.*

East Choir: Blessed are you, Lord, God of our father Is**ra**el, *
through all the a*ges.*
All power and greatness are yours, **O** God; *
glory, splendour, and majes*ty.*
All things are yours, in the heavens and on **the** earth; *
you rule over them, Lord, you are high above them *all.*
All riches and glory come **from** you, *
you rule over all *things.*

West Choir: In your hand lie strength and **pow**er, *
your hand raises all things and sets them *firm.*
So now, our God, we give **you** thanks, *
and praise your glorious *name.*

Full Choir: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy **Spi**rit, *
(profound bow) as it was in the beginning is now,
and ever shall be world without end. A*men.*

Full Choir: Lord our God, we praise the splendour of your *name.*

Second Psalm

Psalm 29

Praise the word of the Lord

Cantor: Adore the Lord in his holy *court.*

East Choir: Give to the Lord, all his children,
his glory and power,
give to the Lord the glory of his name.
Worship the Lord in holy splendour.
Adore the Lord in his holy *court.*

West Choir: The voice of the Lord is heard over the waters:
the God of majesty thunders,
God above all the waters.
The voice of the Lord in his power,
the voice of the Lord in his greatness.
Adore the Lord in his holy *court.*

East Choir: The voice of the Lord breaks the **ce**dars, *
the Lord breaks down the cedars of Leba*non.*
The Lord makes Lebanon leap like **a** calf, *
Sirion like a wild *ox.*
Adore the Lord in his holy *court.*

West Choir: The voice of the Lord cuts flames **in** two; *
the voice of the Lord beats on the desert,
the Lord stuns the desert of K*adesh.*
The voice of the Lord puts the deer **to** flight, *
it empties the thickets;
in his sanctuary, all praise his glo*ry.*
Adore the Lord in his holy *court.*

East Choir: The Lord dwells above the rag**ing** flood, *
he is enthroned as king for e*ver.*
The Lord will give strength to his **peo**ple, *
the Lord will bless his people with *peace.*
Adore the Lord in his holy *court.*

Full Choir: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy **Spi**rit, *
(profound bow) as it was in the beginning is now,
and ever shall be world without end. A*men.*

Cantor: You live for ever, Lord and King. All things of the earth justly sing your glory and honor. Strengthen your people against evil, that we may rejoice in your peace and trust in your eternal promise.

Full Choir: Adore the Lord in his holy *court.*

Reading

Jeremiah 11:19-20

Lector: I was like a trustful lamb being led to the slaughter-house, not knowing the schemes they were plotting against me, 'Let us destroy the tree in its strength, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name may be quickly forgotten!' But you, Lord of Hosts, who pronounce a just sentence, who probe the loins and heart, let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed my cause to you.

(Silent Reflection)

Responsory

Lector: He himself will free me from the hunter's snare.
Full Choir: – *He himself will free me from the hunter's snare.*
Lector: And from evil slander.
Full Choir: – *He himself will free me from the hunter's snare.*
Lector: (all: profound bow) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
Full Choir: – *He himself will free me from the hunter's snare.*

Benedictus Antiphon

'Anyone who follows me will not be walking in the dark but will have the light **of** life,' says the *Lord.*

Intercessions

Lector:	Blessed be Jesus our saviour, who by his death has opened for us the path to salvation. Let us pray:
Full Choir:	– *Lord, guide your people on the straight path.*
Lector:	Merciful God, in baptism you gave us new life: day by day may we become more like you.
Full Choir:	– *Lord, guide your people on the straight path.*
Lector:	Give us the gift today of giving joy to the poor by our gifts: in helping them, may we find you.
Full Choir:	– *Lord, guide your people on the straight path.*
Lector:	May we do what is good, right and true in your sight: may we seek you always with all our heart.
Full Choir:	– *Lord, guide your people on the straight path.*
Lector:	Whatever disunity we have brought to your family, forgive it, kind Lord: make us one heart and one spirit together.
Full Choir:	– *Lord, guide your people on the straight path.*

Prayer

Father of love, source of all blessings, help us to pass from our old life of sin to the new life of grace. Prepare us for the glory of your kingdom. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.